

# THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL THEORY AND PRACTICE

*Programs in Elementary/Secondary Education, Special Education, Reading Education, Early Childhood Education, and School Counseling*

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## Mission

The College of Education is dedicated to:

- Preparing incomparable, caring, and committed professionals for schools in Montana and beyond;
- Conducting socially significant applied research to improve the human condition;
- Providing community service to improve the quality of life experienced by Montanans; and
- Providing graduate and continuing education for career-long professional development.







## Admission Considerations

The following criteria are considered for program admission decisions. Additional or different criteria may be included for specific programs.

1. Undergraduate GPA of at least 3.0.
2. Graduate GPA of at least 3.0
3. If a graduate student earned a 2.99 undergraduate GPA or below, the GRE (Graduate Record Examination) will be required. The total score of 290 (verbal + quantitative) and written score of 3.5. The Post Baccalaureate Endorsement Plans of Study do not require the GRE, but do require PRAXIS II Content Exams for exit and licensure.

Provisional admission may be considered for students who do not meet these criteria.

**All students seeking a degree or post-baccalaureate program through the Department of Educational Theory & Practice must obtain criminal background reports by submitting fingerprints to the Licensure Office upon application to Graduate Studies.**

- Interdisciplinary Studies Master of Education (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/graduate/college-education/department-educational-theory-practice/med-interdisciplinary-studies/>)
- Online Instructional Technologies Master of Education \*Program placed on moratorium\* (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/graduate/college-education/department-educational-theory-practice/med-online-instructional-technologies/>)
- Reading Option Master of Education (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/graduate/college-education/department-educational-theory-practice/med-reading/>)  Offered Online
- School Counseling Option (K-12) Master of Education (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/graduate/college-education/department-educational-theory-practice/med-school-counseling-k-12/>)  Offered Online
- Teaching and Learning Online Certificate (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/graduate/college-education/department-educational-theory-practice/certificate-teaching-learning-online/>)
- Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) Certificate (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/graduate/college-education/department-educational-theory-practice/certificate-tesol/>)
- Applied Behavior Analysis Track (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/graduate/college-education/department-educational-theory-practice/applied-behavior-analysis-track/>)
- School Counseling (K-12) Graduate Endorsement (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/graduate/college-education/department-educational-theory-practice/graduate-endorsement-school-counseling-k-12/>)
- Special Education Supervisor Endorsement (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/graduate/college-education/department-educational-theory-practice/endorsement-special-education-supervisor/>)
- Secondary Teacher Licensure Program (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/graduate/college-education/department-educational-theory-practice/secondary-teacher-licensure-program/>)
- Elementary Teacher Licensure Program (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/graduate/college-education/department-educational-theory-practice/elementary-teacher-licensure-program/>)  Offered Online
- Advanced Studies Option Applied Behavior Analysis Emphasis Master of Science in Special Education (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/graduate/college-education/department-educational-theory-practice/mssed-advanced-studies-applied-behavior-analysis/>)  Offered Online
- Advanced Studies Option Special Education Emphasis Master of Science in Special Education (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/graduate/college-education/department-educational-theory-practice/mssed-advanced-studies-special-education/>)  Offered Online
- Curriculum and Instruction Teacher Licensure Option Master of Education (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/graduate/college-education/department-educational-theory-practice/med-curriculum-instruction-teacher-licensure/>)
- Generalist Option Master of Science in Special Education (<https://catalog.msubillings.edu/graduate/college-education/department-educational-theory-practice/mssed-generalist/>)  Offered Online